

CHARGING FRAMEWORK FOR OUTDOOR EVENTS

1. INTRODUCTION

This framework relates to the council's events policy. It states for what the council will charge event organisers and ensures that there is a consistent approach across all council services. Charges will be set each April as part of the council's Fees and Charges process.

2. DEFINITIONS

2.1 Event organisers are classified as follows:

Commercial - an organisation which shares any profits with individuals such as directors and/or shareholders. Just because an event may not make a profit, if it is organised by a commercial organisation, the council will charge the full rate.

Non-commercial – an organisation which invests its profits back in to the organisation in order to achieve social objectives. Events organised by a non-commercial organisation, usually known as charities, voluntary or community groups, will be charged at a reduced rate. This is because the Council seeks to enable our residents and communities to do more for themselves thus reducing the demand on services. It is recognised that charities, voluntary and community groups bring social value and contribute to achieving the district's outcomes.

3 DELEGATED AUTHORITY

Relevant heads of service have the delegated authority to reduce or waive charges. They will refer to the council's Commercial Strategy and council outcomes when taking this decision plus assess the financial risk to the council.

4 CHARGES

Please see the attached spreadsheet.